

## Chapter 5

### Rules Governing Sponsoring Legislation

#### **SR2-5-101 Senators may request and sponsor legislation -- Substituting a sponsor -- Withdrawing as a cosponsor.**

- (1) A senator may request and sponsor legislation as provided in Joint Rules Title 4, Bills and Resolutions.
- (2)
  - (a) After a piece of legislation has been introduced, the chief Senate sponsor of the legislation may withdraw from sponsoring the legislation by:
    - (i) finding another senator to act as chief sponsor of the legislation; and
    - (ii) filing a substitution of sponsorship form with the secretary of the Senate before final passage of the legislation in the Senate.
  - (b) A senator seeking to withdraw as the chief sponsor need not obtain permission from the Senate to withdraw.
- (3)
  - (a) Before final passage of the legislation in the Senate, a senator cosponsor of a bill may withdraw as a cosponsor of that legislation.
  - (b) A senator seeking to withdraw as a cosponsor need not:
    - (i) obtain permission from the Senate to withdraw; or
    - (ii) provide a substitute cosponsor for the legislation.